

Joint Task Force for the Reorganization of the Department of Citizen Services and the Department of Housing and Community Development

August 5, 2015

George Howard Building, Ellicott Room

Meeting called to order at 4:00pm by chair Michael Davis.

Members Present

Roy Appletree, Director – *Downtown Columbia Housing Foundation*

Becky Bowman, Administrator – *Office of Consumer Affairs*

Karen Butler, Director – *Howard County Department of Social Services*

Tom Carbo, Director – *Department of Housing and Community Development*; Executive Director-*Howard County Housing Commission*

Mike Couch, Executive Director – *MakingChange*; Chair – *Board to Promote Self-Sufficiency*

Joanne Davis, Partner- *Synergies Consulting Group*

Carl DeLorenzo, Director of Policy and Programs – *County Executive's Office*

Michael Davis, Chair, Senior Partner – *Davis, Agnor, Rapaport & Skalny, LLC*

Grace Fielhauer, Special Assistant – *Howard County Executive's Office*

Bob Gillette, Chair- *Commission on Veterans and Military Families*

Caroline Harper, Chairperson- *Housing and Community Development Board*

Elizabeth Kromm, Senior Director of Population Health and Community Relations- *Howard County General Hospital*

Carole MacPhee, Chairperson - *Howard County Housing Commission*; Former Executive Director - *Columbia Housing Corporation*

Phyllis Madachy, Director – *Department of Citizen Services*

Michael Riemer, Former Commissioner – *Howard County Housing Commission*

Dr. Maura Rossman, Health Officer – *Howard County Department of Health*

Bruce Rothschild, Senior Vice President- *Enterprise Community Investment, Inc.*

Maurice Simpkins, Commissioner- *Howard County Housing Commission*

Starr Sowers, Administrator – *Office of Consumer Affairs*

Anne Towne, President – *Towne Group*

Sharonlee Vogel, President – *Transportation Advocates*; former Chair and current member – *Commission on Aging*

Members Not Present

Keri Hyde, Administrator – *Office of Children's Services*

Timeline

- August 5, 2015:* First Joint Task Force Meeting
- November 1, 2015:* Recommendations by the Task Force to be submitted to County Executive for Consideration
- December 20, 2015:* Pre-filing of changes required by approved recommendations to be submitted by the County Executive to the County Council

Items of Business

- *Task Force Mission* - This Joint Task Force was established by County Executive Allan Kittleman based on the recommendations of the Kittleman Transition Team. The Task Force will review the structure of and services provided by the Department of Citizen Services and the Department of Housing and Community Development and make recommendations for possible changes to each.
- Presentation on the current structure of the Department of Citizen Services by Phyllis Madachy
 - Challenges and opportunities of potential reorganization
- Presentation on the current structure of the Department of Housing and Community Development by Tom Carbo
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- Discussion of resources to be utilize throughout the task force's evaluations of the departments

Meeting adjourned at 5:30pm.